

STATE OF TENNESSEE BUREAU OF TENNCARE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION 310 GREAT CIRCLE ROAD NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

Memo

To: All TennCare Providers

From: Bureau of TennCare Pharmacy Program

Date: May 30, 2007

Re: High Potency Statin PDL Changes - **Revised Effective Date**

Effective July 2, 2007, TennCare will implement a new PDL for high potency statins. With this change the preferred high potency statin agents are simvastatin and Crestor[®]. Vytorin[®] will become a non-preferred agent. Patients currently on Vytorin[®] will be grandfathered for a finite period of time to be determined by TennCare. Prescribers are encouraged to switch appropriate patients to a preferred agent at their earliest opportunity.

Beginning July 2nd all patients started on Vytorin[®] will require prior authorization. Prior authorizations will only be approved for patients who fail to achieve LDL reduction goals following an adequate trial with a preferred agent at the appropriate dose.

TennCare has revised the effective date for the PDL changes to July 2nd from May 30th to allow providers more time to transition current Vytorin[®] patients to a preferred high potency statin agent or obtain prior authorizations if needed.

The updated PDL and the Statin prior authorization form will be available for download at the First Health / TennCare website at https://tennessee.fhsc.com.

Please forward or copy the information in this notice to all providers who may be affected by these processing changes.

Thank you for your valued participation in the TennCare program.